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1. On 20 November 1951, a large group of Legislative Yuan members called on CHIANG Kai-shek and again demanded the resignation of Premier CH'EN CH'eng.¹ The Generalissimo angrily replied that he would support the Premier regardless of the legislators' feelings.²
2. On 23 November the Premier attended a meeting of the Legislative Yuan,³ and at that time he was severely criticized on the following points:
 - a. It was claimed that his action in discharging SU Mu-lin from the Salt Administration⁴ was unconstitutional since the constitution provides that certain organs are entitled to hearing without prejudice before the Legislative Yuan.
 - b. His recommendation that Legislative Yuan members' salaries be cut from NT \$1,000 per month to NT \$500 was criticized. The angry legislators pointed out that the Premier had recently asked for increased salaries for Executive Yuan members.

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Comment. See [REDACTED] for the quarrel between CH'EN CH'eng and the Legislative Yuan.

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Comment. It is possible that CHIANG Kai-shek may go so far as to dissolve the Legislative Yuan through presidential decree under emergency war powers. Complete dictatorship would follow.

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Comment. See [REDACTED] for a subsequent Legislative Yuan meeting where CH'EN CH'eng was further criticized.

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